

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:34
ANSWERED ON:27.02.2007
WELFARE BOARD FOR POLICE PERSONNEL
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the police personnel in the country are not getting proper health care including post-retirement health care and post-death financial security;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to set up a Welfare Board for the benefit of the police personnel in the country;
- (d) if so, the proposed functions of the Board; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the standard of living of the police personnel in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 34 ANSWER ON 27.2.2007.

(a) & (b): "Police" is a State subject as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and the State Governments are responsible for initiating welfare measures such as health care, including post-retirement health care, post-death financial security etc., for the police personnel in the States. However, as a welfare measure, Central assistance for improving the housing satisfaction and better facilities at police stations is made available to the State Police Forces through the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces. For speedier implementation of this welfare measure, funds are released directly to the concerned State Government construction agencies.

(c) & (d): Model Police Act drafted by Soli Sorabjee Committee has recommended formation of Welfare Bureau for the welfare of police personnel. This proposal is under consideration by State/Central Governments.

(e): In addition to the efforts made by the States, the Central Government has been advising the State Governments to improve the working conditions of their police personnel and to undertake necessary welfare measures. It has also advised them to put in place an effective mechanism for redressal of personnel grievances and inter-personal problems and to conduct appropriate training courses.